

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1288

February 12, 2021

SUMMARY OF BILL: Establishes that it is a Class C misdemeanor offense for a public officer or official to violate the Tennessee Heritage Protection Act (Act). Establishes that any such offense by an official constitutes grounds for impeachment or ouster, and such official is personally liable for any damages, penalties, and fines for the violation.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-1-412(b), the Act states the following: *“No memorial regarding a historic conflict, historic entity, historic event, historic figure, or historic organization that is, or is located on, public property, may be removed, renamed, relocated, altered, rededicated, or otherwise disturbed or altered.”* And additionally: *“No memorial or public property that contains a memorial may be sold, transferred, or otherwise disposed of by a county, metropolitan government, municipality, or other political subdivision of this state.”*
- It is unknown how many instances a public official will violate the Act, but it is reasonably estimated to be minimal.
- There will not be a sufficient change in the number of misdemeanor prosecutions for local government to experience any significant change in revenue or expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bojan Savic".

Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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